



Big Garden Birdwatch

Here is some information from the RSPB about their Big Garden Birdwatch:

[“The RSPB ‘Big Garden Birdwatch’ takes place during 28th-30th January](#)

What’s it all about?

The Big Garden Birdwatch is simple. Just choose any hour during 28th–30th January 2017 and see which birds come to your garden or local park. You can sign up and download a pack from rspb.org.uk/birdwatch which includes everything you need to know to do the Big Garden Birdwatch. Then tell us what you see at rspb.org.uk/birdwatch, or send the survey form back to us. You can also let us know about other wildlife that you see in your garden or local park during the year. We’ll then analyse the results and see which birds are doing well and which might be in trouble.”

Why do it?

With hundreds of thousands of people taking part each year, we get a snapshot of how the birds in the UK are doing. The more people who count, the more accurate that snapshot will be. The results of the survey help us to spot problems and find ways of putting them right. For example, results show that numbers of house sparrows and starlings have fallen, which could be due to a lack of food or somewhere safe to nest. That’s why we encourage people to give nature a home near them.

Here's our step-by-step guide to the Big Garden Birdwatch...

1. **Choose a good place** to watch from for an hour between **28th-30th January 2017**. Which window gives you the best view? If you haven't got a garden that's no problem. Just pop down to your local park or green space and join in there.
2. **Relax** and watch the birds for an hour. If anyone disturbs you, you can tell them you're busy being a scientist! Count the **maximum** number of each species you see at any one time. For example, if you see a group of three house sparrows together, and later another two, and after that another one, the number to submit is **three**. That way, it’s less likely you’ll double-count the same birds.
3. Come back to the [Big Garden Birdwatch website](#) and tell us what you’ve seen. Or use a paper form, also available from the website. It’s FREE to post back to us.

That’s it! By taking part and telling us what you see, you'll become an RSPB citizen scientist and help us find out more about garden wildlife - so take a big pat on the back from us.

What did you see?

Please circle the number that shows the most of each species that you see together at the same time. Write the number in the space provided if you see more than 10.



Collared dove
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Long-tailed tit
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Dunnock
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Pied wagtail
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Jackdaw
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Woodpigeon
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Great tit
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Wren
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Blackbird
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



House sparrow
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Black-headed gull
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Magpie
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Blue tit
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Robin
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Carrion crow
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Song thrush
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Chaffinch
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Starling
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Coal tit
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____



Greenfinch
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10
More than 10 _____